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Comments

HCR231, HD1 REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY THE COST OF CONVENING A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Testimony by the Legislative Reference Bureau Ken H. Takayama, Acting Director

Presented to the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Friday, April 25, 2008, 10:30 a.m. Conference Room 325

Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on H.C.R. No. 231, H.D. 1. The Bureau takes no position for or against this measure but offers the following comments.

The resolution directs the Bureau to study the cost of holding a constitutional convention.

As presently drafted, the scope of the study requested in this measure appears to be manageable.

We will endeavor to work with the Legislature to produce a study that is objective, informative, and useful.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to submit our comments.